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<b>Office Action Summary</b>	<b>Application No.</b> 10/580,645	<b>Applicant(s)</b> IIDA, SACHIO	
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### Status

- 1) ☒ Responsive to communication(s) filed on 25 May 2006.
- 2a) ☐ This action is **FINAL**.                      2b) ☒ This action is non-final.
- 3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

### Disposition of Claims

- 4) ☒ Claim(s) 9-20 is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above claim(s) \_\_\_\_\_ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) ☐ Claim(s) \_\_\_\_\_ is/are allowed.
- 6) ☒ Claim(s) 9-20 is/are rejected.
- 7) ☐ Claim(s) \_\_\_\_\_ is/are objected to.
- 8) ☐ Claim(s) \_\_\_\_\_ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

### Application Papers

- 9) ☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) ☒ The drawing(s) filed on 25 May 2006 is/are: a) ☒ accepted or b) ☐ objected to by the Examiner.  
Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).  
Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
- 11) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

### Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 12) ☒ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☒ All    b) ☐ Some \*    c) ☐ None of:
1. ☒ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. \_\_\_\_\_.
3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

\* See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

### Attachment(s)

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## **DETAILED ACTION**

### ***Claim Objections***

1. Claims 12, 13, 19 and 20 objected to under 37 CFR 1.75(c), as being of improper dependent form for failing to further limit the subject matter of a previous claim.

Applicant is required to cancel the claim(s), or amend the claim(s) to place the claim(s) in proper dependent form, or rewrite the claim(s) in independent form.

### ***Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 102***

2. The following is a quotation of the appropriate paragraphs of 35 U.S.C. 102 that form the basis for the rejections under this section made in this Office action:

A person shall be entitled to a patent unless –

(b) the invention was patented or described in a printed publication in this or a foreign country or in public use or on sale in this country, more than one year prior to the date of application for patent in the United States.

3. Claim 9 is rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by Feld (Patent No.: US 6281755B1).

#### With respect to claim 9:

Feld disclosed an amplifier comprising: an amplifier device (fig.5) and an LC parallel resonant circuit (fig.5, item 20) and an LCR series resonant circuit (fig.5, Ls Cs GL) provided in parallel as a load for the amplifier device.

***Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 103***

4. The following is a quotation of 35 U.S.C. 103(a) which forms the basis for all obviousness rejections set forth in this Office action:

(a) A patent may not be obtained though the invention is not identically disclosed or described as set forth in section 102 of this title, if the differences between the subject matter sought to be patented and the prior art are such that the subject matter as a whole would have been obvious at the time the invention was made to a person having ordinary skill in the art to which said subject matter pertains. Patentability shall not be negated by the manner in which the invention was made.

5. The factual inquiries set forth in *Graham v. John Deere Co.*, 383 U.S. 1, 148 USPQ 459 (1966), that are applied for establishing a background for determining obviousness under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) are summarized as follows:

1. Determining the scope and contents of the prior art.
2. Ascertaining the differences between the prior art and the claims at issue.
3. Resolving the level of ordinary skill in the pertinent art.
4. Considering objective evidence present in the application indicating obviousness or nonobviousness.

6. Claim 10, 11 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Feld (Patent No.: US 6281755B1) and further in view of Kaczynski (2007/0111684A1).

With respect to claim 10:

Feld disclosed an amplifier comprising: an amplifier device (fig. 5) and an LC parallel resonant circuit (fig. 5, item 20) and an LCR series resonant circuit (fig.5, Ls Cs GL) provided in parallel as a load for the amplifier device. Feld did not disclose an amplifier wherein a common gate circuit and a cascade circuit are combined. Kaczynski disclosed an amplifier wherein a common gate circuit and a cascade circuit are combined (parag.0034). It would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at

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the time the invention was made to have a common gate circuit and cascade circuit combined together in order to amplify the signal.

With respect to claim 11:

Feld disclosed an amplifier comprising: an amplifier device (fig. 5) and an LC parallel resonant circuit (fig. 5, item 20) and an LCR series resonant circuit (fig.5, Ls Cs GL) provided in parallel as a load for the amplifier device. Feld did not disclose an amplifier wherein a common-source circuit, a cascade circuit and a voltage feedback circuit are combined but the examiner take official action that combining common source circuit, a cascade circuit and a voltage feedback is common in the art and it would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time the invention as made to have this limitation in order to amplify the signal.

7. Claim 12 is rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Feld (Patent No.: US 6281755B1) and further in view of Shohara (Pub. No.: US 2005/0078743A1).

With respect to claims 12:

Feld disclosed an amplifier comprising: an amplifier device (fig.5) and an LC parallel resonant circuit (fig.5, item 20) and an LCR series resonant circuit (fig.5, Ls Cs GL) provided in parallel as a load for the amplifier device. Feld did not disclose low noise amplifier, converter, automatic gain control, ADC, and a processor .Shohara disclosed a wireless communication apparatus comprising: an antenna, a band-pass filter (parag.0034), a low noise amplifier which amplifies a voltage of a received signal

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(parag. 0034), a down-converter (fig.1, item 14) which down-converts the voltage-amplified received signal by frequency conversion, an automatic gain controller (fig.1, item 28), an analog-digital converter (fig.1, item 18), and a signal processing circuit which performs digital signal processing of received data (fig.1, item 50), It would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time the invention was made to have all this limitation for a design choice.

With respect to claims 13:

Feld disclosed an amplifier comprising: an amplifier device (fig.5) and an LC parallel resonant circuit (fig.5, item 20) and an LCR series resonant circuit (fig.5, Ls Cs GL) provided in parallel as a load for the amplifier device. Field did not disclose wireless communication apparatus comprising: an antenna, a band-pass filter, a low noise amplifier which amplifies a voltage of a received signal, a down-converter which down-converts the voltage-amplified received signal by frequency conversion, an automatic gain controller, an analog-digital converter, a digital- analog converter which converts transmit data to an analog signal, an up-converter which up- converts the analog transmit signal by frequency conversion, a power amplifier which amplifies power of the up-converted transmit signal, and a signal processing circuit which performs digital signal processing of transmit/receive data. Shohara disclosed a wireless communication apparatus comprising: an antenna (parag.0034), a band-pass filter (parag.0034), a low noise amplifier (parag.0034) which amplifies a voltage of a received signal, a down-converter (fig.1, item 14) which down-converts the voltage-amplified received signal by frequency conversion, an automatic gain controller (fig.1, item 28), an analog-digital

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converter(fig.1, item 18), a digital- analog converter (fig.1, item 44) which converts transmit data to an analog signal, an up-converter (fig.1, item 48) which up- converts the analog transmit signal by frequency conversion, a power amplifier (parag.0034) which amplifies power of the up-converted transmit signal, and a signal processing circuit (fig.1, item 50) which performs digital signal processing of transmit/receive data. It would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time the invention was made to have all this limitation for a design choice.

8. Claim 14 is rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Feld (Patent No.: US 6281755B1) and further in view of Admitted prior art hence forth "Admission".

With respect to claim 14:

Feld disclosed an amplifier device (fig.5) and a band pass filter (col.3, lines 56-62) provided as a load for the amplifier device. Feld did not disclose s-plane in which the plurality of pole is provided and zero are provided between the poles. Admission disclosed s-plane in which the plurality of pole is provided and zero are provided between the poles (page 5, parag. 0014). It would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time the invention was made to have s-plane in which the plurality of pole is provided and zero are provided between the poles simply for design choice.

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9. Claims 15 and 16 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Feld (Patent No.: US 6281755B1) and further in view of Admission and Daners (Patent No.: US 6229393B1).

With respect to claim 15 and 16:

Feld disclosed an amplifier device (fig.5) and a band pass filter (col.3, lines 56-62) provided as a load for the amplifier device. Admission disclosed s-plane in which the plurality of pole is provided and zero are provided between the poles (page 5, parag. 0014). Feld and Admission did not disclose capacitor and inductance not in series between an output terminal of the amplifier device and output terminal of amplifier. Daners disclosed capacitor and inductance not in series between an output terminal of the amplifier device and output terminal of amplifier (fig.1b). It would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time the invention was made to have a capacitor and inductance not in series between an output terminal of the amplifier device and output terminal of amplifier for a design purpose.

10. Claims 17 and 18 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Feld (Patent No.: US 6281755B1) and further in view of Admission and Kaczynski (2007/0111684A1).

With respect to claim 17:

Feld disclosed an amplifier device (fig.5) and a band pass filter (col.3, lines 56-62) provided as a load for the amplifier device. Admission disclosed s-plane in which the plurality of pole is provided and zero are provided between the poles (page 5, parag.



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0014). Feld and Admission did not disclose common gate circuit and a cascade circuit combine together. Kaczynski disclosed an amplifier wherein a common gate circuit and a cascade circuit are combined (parag.0034). It would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time the invention was made to have a common gate circuit and cascade circuit combined together in order to amplify the signal.

With respect to claim 18:

Feld disclosed an amplifier device (fig.5) and a band pass filter (col.3, lines 56-62) provided as a load for the amplifier device. Admission disclosed s-plane in which the plurality of pole is provided and zero are provided between the poles (page 5, parag. 0014). Feld and Admission did not disclose a common source circuit, a cascade and voltage feedback circuit to be combined but the examiner take official action that combining common source circuit, a cascade circuit and a voltage feedback is common in the art and it would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time the invention as made to have this limitation in order to amplify the signal.

11. Claims 19 and 20 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Feld (Patent No.: US 6281755B1) and further in view of Admission and Shohara (Pub. No.: US 2005/0078743A1).

With respect to claim 19:

Feld disclosed an amplifier device (fig.5) and a band pass filter (col.3, lines 56-62) provided as a load for the amplifier device. Admission disclosed s-plane in which the plurality of pole is provided and zero are provided between the poles (page 5, parag.

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0014). Feld and Admission did not disclose low noise amplifier, converter, automatic gain control, ADC, and a processor. Shohara disclosed a wireless communication apparatus comprising: an antenna, a band-pass filter (parag.0034), a low noise amplifier which amplifies a voltage of a received signal (parag. 0034), a down-converter (fig.1, item 14) which down-converts the voltage-amplified received signal by frequency conversion, an automatic gain controller (fig.1, item 28), an analog-digital converter (fig.1, item 18), and a signal processing circuit which performs digital signal processing of received data (fig.1, item 50), It would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time the invention was made to have all this limitation for a design choice.

With respect to claim 20:

Feld disclosed an amplifier device (fig.5) and a band pass filter (col.3, lines 56-62) provided as a load for the amplifier device. Admission disclosed s-plane in which the plurality of pole is provided and zero are provided between the poles (page 5, parag. 0014). Feld and Admission did not disclose wireless communication apparatus comprising: an antenna, a band-pass filter, a low noise amplifier which amplifies a voltage of a received signal, a down-converter which down-converts the voltage-amplified received signal by frequency conversion, an automatic gain controller, an analog-digital converter, a digital- analog converter which converts transmit data to an analog signal, an up-converter which up- converts the analog transmit signal by frequency conversion, a power amplifier which amplifies power of the up-converted transmit signal, and a signal processing circuit which performs digital signal processing of transmit/receive data. Shohara disclosed a wireless communication apparatus

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comprising: an antenna (parag.0034), a band-pass filter (parag.0034), a low noise amplifier (parag.0034) which amplifies a voltage of a received signal, a down-converter (fig.1, item 14) which down-converts the voltage-amplified received signal by frequency conversion, an automatic gain controller (fig.1, item 28), an analog-digital converter(fig.1, item 18), a digital- analog converter (fig.1, item 44) which converts transmit data to an analog signal, an up-converter (fig.1, item 48) which up- converts the analog transmit signal by frequency conversion, a power amplifier (parag.0034) which amplifies power of the up-converted transmit signal, and a signal processing circuit (fig.1, item 50) which performs digital signal processing of transmit/receive data. It would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time the invention was made to have all this limitation for a design choice.

### ***Conclusion***

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to AJIBOLA AKINYEMI whose telephone number is (571)270-1846. The examiner can normally be reached on monday- friday (8.30-5pm) Est. If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, YUWEN PAN can be reached on (571) 272-7855. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300. Information regarding the status of an application may be obtained from the Patent Application Information Retrieval (PAIR) system. Status information for published

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